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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re the Application of

Koichi NUMATA et al.

Group Art Unit: 1795

Application No.: 09/883,966

Examiner: K. HANDAL

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Docket No.: 109237

For: FUEL REFORMING APPARATUS AND METHOD OF CONTROLLING THE FUEL
REFORMING APPARATUS

**LARGE ENTITY PETITION FOR 1st - 3rd EXTENSION
OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) AND
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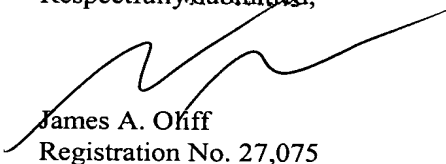
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